

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No.

09/712,991

For

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AND DATA RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS

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Examiner

Thai Tran

Art Unit

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745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151 Tel: 212-588-0800

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
- The fee has been calculated as shown below.
- This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	7	Minus	**=21	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	3	Minus	***=7	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
		Total ac	Total additional fee for this amendment			\$ 0

- If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.
- If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- *** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

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	This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid \square , or is paid herewith \square .
	This response is being filed within the month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
	A check in the amount of \$ is attached, which covers the cost of [] additional claims petition for extension of time.
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2004, wherein restriction was required between Group I claims 1-7 and Group II claims 8-21, please amend the above-identified application as follows: